

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 42 without prejudice.

Please amend Claims 21 and 41 as follows:

1-20 (Cancelled).

21. (Currently Amended) A method for selling jewelry comprising the steps of:

providing a selection of rough stones to a customer;

informing the customer about available options on cuts and sizes of stones that may be yielded from the selection of rough stones;

allowing the customer to choose a specific rough stone from the selection of rough stones based on a specific option chosen by the customer;

cutting the specific stone into at least two cut stones as per the specific option chosen by the customer, the at least two cut stones including a major stone and at least one remainder stone ~~two cut stones~~;

selling the cut stones to the customer;

allowing the customer to present the cut stones to at least two recipients,

whereby the customer and the recipients have a specific sentimental relationship.

22. (Previously Presented) The method of selling jewelry as claimed in claim 21 wherein the customer and one of the recipients are same person.

23. (Previously Presented) The method of selling jewelry as claimed in claim 21 wherein the customer is a parent and the recipients are at least two children of the parent.

24. (Previously Presented) The method of selling jewelry as claimed in claim 21 wherein the customer is a grandparent and the recipients are at least two

grandchildren of the grandparent.

25. (Previously Presented) The method of selling jewelry as claimed in claim 21 whereby the selection of rough stones have stones of different karat, color and clarity.
26. (Previously Presented) The method of selling jewelry as claimed in claim 21 further comprising the step of determining a cutting configuration for the specific rough stone.
27. (Previously Presented) The method of selling jewelry as claimed in claim 26 whereby the cutting configuration is any possible type of cut for a gemstone.
28. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21 further comprising the step of: mounting the at least two stones to at least two pieces of jewelry, the pieces of jewelry being presented to the recipients.
29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22 wherein the specific sentimental relationship is husband and wife.
30. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22 wherein the specific sentimental relationship is a life partner.
31. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22 wherein the specific sentimental relationship is parent and child.
32. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22 wherein the specific sentimental relationship is siblings.
33. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22 wherein the specific sentimental relationship is persons engaged to be married.
34. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21 wherein the step of providing a plurality of rough stones to a customer is presented over the Internet.

35. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21 wherein the step of providing a plurality of rough stones to a customer is presented at a retail store.
36. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21 wherein the step of providing a plurality of rough stones to a customer is presented in a catalogue.
37. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21 wherein the specific rough stone is a diamond.
38. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21 wherein the specific rough stone is a ruby.
39. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21 wherein the specific rough stone is an emerald.
40. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the specific rough stone is a sapphire.
41. (Currently Amended) A method for selling jewelry comprising the steps of:
cutting a plurality of rough stones into a selection of individual sets of cut stones, the individual sets of cut stones including cut stones being cut from the same rough stone, the at least two cut stones including a major stone and at least one remainder stone;
providing the selection of individual sets of cut stones to a customer;
allowing the customer to choose a specific individual set of cut stones from the selection of individual sets of cut stones;
selling the specific individual set of cut stones to the customer;
allowing the customer to present the major stone to a recipient and keeping the minority stone for the customer ~~cut stones to at least two recipients,~~

whereby the customer and the recipient ~~recipients~~ have a specific sentimental relationship.

42. (Cancelled) The method of selling jewelry as claimed in claim 41 wherein the customer and one of the recipients are same person.

43. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 41 further comprising the step of: mounting a number of cut stones to an equal number of jewelry pieces, the jewelry pieces being presented to the recipients.

44. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 42 wherein the specific sentimental relationship is husband and wife.

45. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 42 wherein the specific sentimental relationship is persons engaged to be married.